

The Watauga Democrat.

LOCAL AFFAIRS

Mrs. Joe Ashby of Dorchester, Va. is a visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jack Ray in Boone.

The new home of Mr. Ross Triplett, our Elk Correspondent, is progressing nicely, with Messrs. Hodges and Barnett workmen.

Mr. James Todd and family have moved into the little brick building recently occupied by the Watauga Democrat.

Mr. L. N. Perkins received a telegram Tuesday morning announcing the death of his mother, Mrs. William Perkins, at Hailey, Idaho.

Dr. Atty. Frank Linney returned from Greensboro Court, Saturday, which is his last court this year, and will remain with his family through the holidays.

Capt. E. F. Lovell left for Greensboro Monday morning on business, but will spend a few days with his daughter, Mrs. Jas. Brawley, in the city, before returning.

Rev. R. L. Isbell of Lenoir, N. C. will preach in the Episcopal church Sunday (Dec. 16th) at 11 o'clock. The public is invited to attend this service.

The Democrat for a year would make a nice Christmas present for some out of the county friend. Don't you think so? A number are sending it. Why not you?

Mr. Walter Johnson and family have moved into the new Jones building. Mr. Mac Luttrell will occupy the building vacated by them in East Boone.

Mrs. Fannie Rimer, an aged lady of Elk township, died at her home on the 9th inst. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Levi Greene and interment was made on Sunday.

The first to enter subscription for Christmas presents was Mrs. R. L. Bingham, of Boone. The subscriptions are for her two sisters, Mrs. Gragg, Bristol, Va., and Mrs. Edmiston, of Eubanks, Ky. Thanks.

The public school at Mt. Ephraim in Elk township, will close on Saturday, December, 23. Quite a program has been arranged and a most enjoyable occasion is expected. All are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hampton, of Blowing Rock, R. F. D., left Saturday morning for Corkville, Tenn., where they will spend the winter (as is their custom) with their daughter in that town.

The ads. in this paper are in a large measure, and index to the business houses of the town, and early shopping is the slogan. Try Boone first for what you need, and then, if not supplied buy elsewhere.

Mr. Finly Mast, of Valle Crucis, was in town on business last week-end and squared the books for himself, his son Claud, now in Maryland, and Mrs. Lunad of Orange, New Jersey. He then subscribed for the trio for another year.

Deputy Collector, J. Frank Robbins, who has headquarters in Wilkesboro, is spending a few days with his family in Boone. He says he has his work pretty well up until the first of the year, but will make one more trip back to Wilkes before Xmas.

Mr. Lee Swift, of Reece, was in town Monday and brought along with him two bushels of the famed Virginia Beauty apples, to be applied on subscription. Money is rather scarce in this shop, but this payment was more prized than had it been in the coin of the realm. Thanks.

THE OLD WATAUGA ACADEMY

The State is now having the old Watauga Academy, the nucleus upon which the Appalachian Training School was built, thoroughly repaired. It is being re-roofed and given a thorough overhauling from bottom to top. This is gratifying, for we have feared that with magnificent buildings going up all around it, this wooden structure would be allowed to go to wreck. When the citizens of Boone and surrounding community completed the building they were justly proud of it, but little thought of the Great Appalachian Training School of today, that is worth in dollars and cents in the neighborhood of a million dollars. Yes, it should be kept in the best of repair as long as this great institution of learning exists, for without this beginning it would never have been in our midst.

IN THE TOILS FOR TRANSPORTING BOOTS

Prohibition agent, James Bingham, always on the lookout for those who are tempted to violate the prohibition laws, captured one, Mr. Price, last Saturday night, near the Boone Trail Highway. Near the Wilkes line, and found in his possession one gallon of "corn liker," and the offender is now in Boone jail in default of bond awaiting his trial at the next term of Federal court held in Wilkesboro. It does seem that our people are slow in finding out that to transport whisky, even in the smallest quantities, is a gross violation of the prohibition laws and punishable with fine or imprisonment of both.

BOONE SENIOR B. Y. P. U.

Announcing our third Sunday Topic Group 111, on program, Topic, Doctrinal meeting—The Church: Its Members—Scripture reference, Matt. 5: 13-20, where could we go to find a plainer scripture than this? "Ye are the salt of the earth, but if that salt has lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? It is henceforth good for nothing but to be cast out, and to be trodden under the feet of men." (Matt. 5:13.) How can I best serve the whole world? By doing my best in my own church. Do you believe this? Come to the B. Y. P. U. Sunday night at six o'clock and tell us why.

We fell down on the attendance last Sunday night, sure. I think this lesson is as good a lesson as we have had during this quarter and lets make it as interesting as possible, for every tree that bringeth forth not good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire. Everybody welcome.

Herman Wilcox.

MASTERS-REECE

Married in Johnson City, Tenn., on Saturday last, Prof. Masters, of Mitchell county, to Miss Lillie Reece, of Reece, this county. The groom is well remembered by our people, as he, for a number of years, was one of the teachers of the Appalachian Training school, and has since been engaged in educational work in his home county, Mitchell. His bride is one of Watauga's splendid ladies, and has been for quite a while, one of our leading public school teachers throwing her every energy into the work. The couple is a popular one, and in behalf of their many friends, The Democrat extends warm congratulations.

MR. ISAAC GROSS PASSES

Mr. Isaac Gross, whose serious illness the Democrat has noted from time to time, died at his home one mile west of town, at 11 a. m., Tuesday, Mr. Gross has been a resident of this community for many years. He was strong in his convictions, a splendid old gentleman, a good neighbor and a strong friend; A master Mason for many years, and a great believer in the tenets of the order. Interment was made in the Hines grav yard at 2 P. M., yesterday, the masonic fraternity burying him with the full honors of the fraternity. Mr. Gross leaves quite a family, who are among our best people, and all whom were with him when the summons came. The bereaved have our sympathy in these, their darkest hours.

HARRISON-PAYNE

Married at Mountain City, Tenn., on last Friday, Mr. Loyn Harrison to Miss Maude Payne. The bride and groom both being of Boone. Mr. Harrison has been in the employment of the E. T. & W. N. C. Railroad for many years, and is quite well known in Boone. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. J. M. Payne and is one of the town's choice young ladies. They are occupying rooms on second story of the drug store building. Congratulations.

OFF TO WASHINGTON

Mr. W. L. Wilson, manufacturer of Swiss cheese in Watauga, exhibited some fine slices of this choice product at this office Monday. They were cut from a cheese weighing 110 pounds, for the Watauga Supply Co., the remainder being sent, by express to a hotelist at Southern Pines. Mr. Wilson said this was the finest cheese yet cut in the county, being what he called "fancy".

He left for Washington Tuesday, and from there he goes to Cornell University, gathering "dope" which he will use in his work here. He will probably return the last of the week.

WATAUGA SUPPLY COMPANY'S SALE APPRECIATED

Editor Democrat:

As a citizen of Watauga County, and one interested in its progress and its business enterprises, I wish to take the liberty, through your columns, to thank the Watauga Supply Company, for their great sale now in progress; a sale that has made it possible for every person in the county to buy their Christmas goods and their fall and winter requirements in other lines, at prices far below the average for years past. I was one of the first to enter the store on the opening day of their sale, and know that great savings can be made by buying at this sale, especially when it comes at a time that people need to purchase for the winter. You can save money there by buying your requirements for even a year ahead.

I feel the people should appreciate this opportunity from these people, and take advantage of the sale while it lasts.

"A Citizen"

B. Y. P. U. ENTERTAINS

The young people of the B. Y. P. U. met for their quarterly meeting in the basement of the church Tuesday evening. After the business session special music was rendered by a pigmy choir, consisting of four chorus girls. Refreshments were served, and the young people reluctantly went away before the lights were darkened, each declaring that the evening had been full to the brim with enjoyment.

APPRECIATION OF J. W. FARTHING, CO. SUPT. AND BD. ED.

J. W. Farthing was a member of while ETAOI& -tasesowado. for ET the Board of Education of Watauga County for about 14 years and was chairman for a long while. His long Period of service covered doubtless the most important period in the history of the county. He began his work as a member of the Board at a time when the school terms were short—about three months in the year, the building inadequate and the teachers poorly paid. These three handicaps he labored long and earnestly to improve, he lived to see the school term extended to 6 months, most of the small, uncomfortable houses replaced with larger and better buildings and the teachers much better paid.

His sympathy was always with children far back in the mountains, for these he labored and planned that they might have an equal chance in life with those more favorably situated.

Three days before he passed into the beyond he expressed a desire to live to see the three small schools across the Blue Ridge, Cook, Bradshaw and Penly, provided with good houses, but as he could not, he hoped the board would see to it that it was done at the earliest day possible.

He also expressed great anxiety for the successful completion and equipment of the Cove Creek and the Boone Graded School.

He was a man of excellent judgment and his opinions were always sought and treated with the greatest deference by his fellow members.

The schools of the county have lost a devoted friend and the Board of Education a wise counselor.

We feel very keenly our loss.
W. F. Sherwood, Chm. Bd. Ed.
Smith Hagaman, Co Supt.
W. N. Howell

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLUB WITH MRS. ANDERS

Mrs. Anders was hostess to the Friday Afternoon Club last week.

After a pleasant social hour was spent, the guests enjoyed a very interesting contest, Mrs. I. G. Greer winning the prize. After that the hostess was assisted by her sister, Mrs. Rankin, in serving a salad course and candy.

The members were delighted with having Mrs. O. L. Hardin of Johnson City, a former member, present at the meeting. The invited guests were, Mrs. Little, Mrs. Gunlock and Mrs. Rankin.

MOORE-WINKLER

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Winkler announce the engagement of their daughter, Annie Shelton to Mr. Ernest W. Moore of Raleigh, N. C. The wedding will take place December 26.

WEST NORTH CAROLINA PREMIER APPLE SECTION

"Western North Carolina stands out as the greatest undeveloped apple empire east of the Mississippi," according to a bulletin on "The Growing of Apples in North Carolina," prepared by C. D. Matthews, chief of the State division, issued last week.

In selecting a location for growing apples, it was stated, a section possessing the greatest balance of both natural and economic advantages for the development of the industry should be chosen. All these advantages, cheap land, salubrious climate and a long growing season—may be found in the western part of the State, according to the Bulletin.

"This territory commands adjacent markets and is tapped by excellent rail and highway trade routes," it is added. "The commercial production of apples has developed to a much greater extent in the mountain section than in the upper Piedmont, but there are splendid opportunities for production in the latter section, and the culture of apples will prove a most remunerative business when given intelligent attention; the best varieties are adapted and when the most desirable varieties are planted."

"The Appalachian mountain region, however, seems to be the native home of the apple," it was stated. "Soil, climate, topography, altitude and rainfall were given as its chief advantages as making it one of the finest apple regions in the United States."

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Having qualified as executor of the will of Miss Susie Farthing, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate of deceased to present the same for payment within twelve months from the date of this notice or it will be plead in bar of their recovery, and all persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment.

This December 14, 1922.

W. Y. FARTHING, Executor

'GAP CREEK NEWS

Mr. A. G. Miller has been indisposed for a few days with neuralgia.

Miss Pearl Welch has been sick the past week with a throat trouble. It has been reported but not confirmed that a prohibition officer arrested one, A. Price, near Deep Gap with a quantity of whisky in his possession.

A number of Wilkes county boys from Mt. View Institute passed thru on the Creek, returning to their homes having been to Boone to play a game of basket ball.

Mr. H. E. Greene has had a very sick child for some time, but is improving along he now states.

Mr. Alfred Watson is very much indisposed at this writing with kidney trouble, and other diseases.

Mrs. Lola Hampton has a very bad finger which has been giving her a lot of trouble. It is possible a felon.

Mr. Albert Hampton has recently sold a part of his farm on Elk Creek, to Mr. Darby Triplett of Triplett, N. C.

Mr. L. N. Keller and Velma Hodges our efficient teacher at Rocky Point are preparing to have a nice entertainment at the close of their school. We believe this team and the children will pull off something great on December 23 inst. A Christmas tree will also mark the closing of their successful term of school.

WANTED—A bright, active young man to handle produce. Must be of good clean personal habits, good mixer and possess the confidence of the community. Produce care of Democrat. 2t 6.

RESALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST

The bid having been raised as provided by law I will re-sell under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain trust deed executed by T. M. Moretz and wife Florence Moretz to John E. Brown, Trustee for unim-Marshall Co. of Lynchburg, Va. on the 11th day of May 1922 to secure the payment of the sum of \$603 with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent, per annum from the date of the same until paid and default having been made in the payment of the note secured by said Trust deed the undersigned will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at court house door in Boone, North Carolina on Saturday December 30, 1922 between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m. the following described lands:

Beginning on an ash in the line of Hamp Clawson's heirs running N 75 degrees 130 poles to a chestnut, H. Clawson's corner, thence south 22 p. to a stake in Davis' line then east with said line 170 poles to a chestnut oak, Davis' corner; then south with Davis' line 34 poles to a branch thence down the branch 99 poles to said Clawson's line; thence with said line 84 poles to the beginning, adjoining the lands of C. M. Blackburn, H. A. Davis, John Clawson, L. M. Green and others and located in Watauga County North Carolina, Containing 56 acres more or less and being the land purchased of L. W. Green and wife, P. P. Moretz and wife, S. G. Moretz. This Dec. 13, 1922.

The bidding will start above \$220.
JOHN E. BROWN, Trustee.

THIS WEEK'S ADVERTISING

We wish to call the special attention of the people to the ads of the local business men appearing in this week's issue. They have almost taken our space but it is good dope just the same and our subscribers can certainly gain much by reading and thoroughly digesting every syllable of every one of them.

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF 1918 SERIES OF W. S. S.

We will receive for exchange or send in 1918 series of W. S. S. for Boone patrons or those who have them registered at Boone, on December 20, 1922, and December 26, 1922.

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John E. Brown, Postmaster.



GIFTS THAT LAST

It is always good when buying Christmas

Gifts to select something useful and lasting.

My stock has been selected especially for

those who appreciate good gifts.



Watches,
Clocks,
Knives,
Silverware,
Percolators,
Flashlights,
Rings,
Cigarette Cases

And many other lasting gifts. Also perfumes and choice Box Candies.

W. A. THOMAS

VICTORY Bonds

Due on THE 15TH

SERIES A. to F. inclusive, Victory Bonds will mature on December 15th—and we will be glad to obtain payment of them for our friends.

And we want to caution every holder of these bonds against unwise investment of the cash thus received. Consult us if you will, and we will be happy to help you invest safely.

N. L. Mast, President
L. A. Greene, Vice-Pres.
G. P. Hagaman, Cashier
W. D. Farthing, A. Cashier
Austin E. South, Teller
Miss Pearl Hodges,
Bookkeeper



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MENTHOL CIGAR DROPS
for nose and throat
Give Quick Relief